

FRANKLIN COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

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OCTOBER 14, 1996

FRANKLIN COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD MET MONDAY MORNING OCTOBER 14, 1996 AT 10:00 O'CLOCK AT ROYSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY. DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF CHAIRMAN EUGENE PHILLIPS MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY VICE CHAIRMAN LOUISE WILCOX. ROLL CALLED BY SECRETARY JULIE IRBY WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT: LOUISE WILCOX, CAMERON VEAL, LOUISE HARBIN, VIDELLA BENNETT, JULIE IRBY, RACHEL SORROW, RUTH WILLIAMS, AND ROGER MCCONNELL PRESENT. NO MINUTES WERE READ AS MEETING IN JULY NOT HELD. REGIONAL DIRECTOR KATHRYN AMES OF ATHENS REPORTED ON BUDGET NOTING CITY OF CARNESVILLE MADE A DONATION OF \$1,500.00 AND IF THIS AMOUNT IS PERMANENT WE WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR A MEMBER APPOINTED BY CITY OF CARNESVILLE. LONG RANGE PLANS FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY INCLUDE INTERNET, ACCESSIBLE E-MAIL AND SEVERAL OTHER SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE BUT WILL ONLY AFFECT ROYSTON ONLY AS LAVONIA IS OUT OF COVERED AREA, HOPEFULLY INTERNET WILL BE IN ROYSTON BY END OF OCTOBER. IT WAS REPORTED BY MARIANNE DRIVER THAT CONGRESS IS TRYING TO PASS A FIVE PERCENT ROLL BACK OF FUNDS TO BE TAKEN OUT OF MATERIALS, THIS WILL REDUCE THE 56¢ PER CAPITA TO 30¢ AND WILL GREATLY REDUCE NUMBER OF BOOKS AVAILABLE. MRS. AMES REPORTED COUNTY LIBRARIANS HAD ATTENDED RECENT STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY, SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS MADE INCLUDING SAFE AREAS WITH POSSIBLE BUZZER AT DOOR, EACH PERSON TO BE GREETED BY STAFF MEMBER. IT WAS ALSO NOTED COMMISSIONERS AND SCHOOL BOARD HAS NOT YET SENT MONEY PLEDGE BUT SHOULD DO SO BY END OF YEAR. LOUISE WILCOX THANKED MS. AMES AND MS. DRIVER FOR THEIR INPUT AND REPORTS. SHE APPOINTED A NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF LOUISE HARBIN AND RUTH WILLIAMS, IT WAS ALSO SUGGESTED SHE SERVE. THERE ARE TWO SEATS ON THE BOARD OPEN EUGENE PHILLIPS APPOINTED BY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SHIRLEY PARKER APPOINTED BY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. ALSO A CHAIRMAN TO BE ELECTED IN MR. PHILLIPS PLACE. IT WAS NOTED THAT POSSIBLY NEEDED FUNDS COULD BE OBTAINED BY FUNDING AGENCIES RATHER THAN APPROACHING CITIZENS AND BUSINESS FOR MONEY. MR. VEAL AND JULIE IRBY BOTH AGREED TO CONTACT COMMISSIONERS AND CHAIRMAN TO SEE IF THEY WILL PAY THE \$2,000.00 DEFICIT IN THIS YEARS BUDGET. IT WAS NOTED THAT SOME SHORTAGES OCCURED BROM INCREASE IN MINIMUM WAGES. ROYSTON HAS AIDE 19 HOURS PER WEEK, LAVONIA 11 HOURS PER WEEK. IF ADDITIONAL FUNDING IS OBTAINED LIBRARIES COULD STAY OPEN MORE HOURS. IT WAS ALSO NOTED FRANKLIN COUNTY LIBRARIANS LOWEST PAID IN REGION. THE NEXT COUNTY BOARD MEETING MONDAY JANUARY 13, 1997 AT 10:00 O'CLOCK AT LAVONIA LIBRARY. BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:30 A.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

JULIE IRBY, SECRETARY FRANKLIN COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD